



## DID YOU KNOW?

Polk County ranks second among Oregon counties in wine production and second in planted and harvested acreage.

## **GETTING THERE**

Many of the wineries near Dallas are accessible from Highway 99W. In Yamhill County to the north, you can reach them from Highway 99W and also Highways 18 (near McMinnville) and 47 (near Yamhill and Carlton).

## ABOUT PINOT NOIR

*Pinot noir* is a red wine grape variety of the species *Vitis vinifera*. The name is also given to garnet-colored wines created from pinot noir grapes. Its home is France's Burgundy region, but pinot noir is grown around the world in cool climates – especially Oregon's Willamette Valley.

Pinot noir is difficult to cultivate and produce. Vineyard sizes are small; many are on south facing slopes and experience morning fog. The grapes grow in small, tight clusters shaped like pinecones. The hand-snipped bunches are crushed right away.

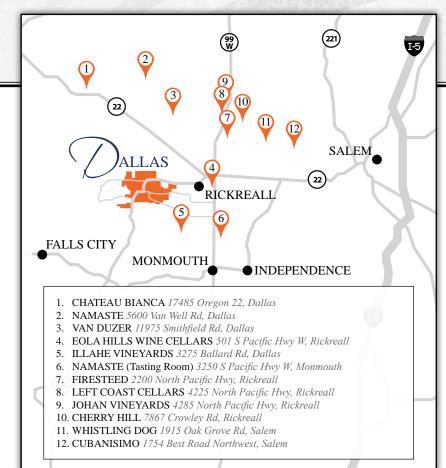
Oregon's pinot noirs are consistently rated among the world's best wines, and 88% of Oregon's pinot noir is produced right here in the Willamette Valley.

*Wine:* rich, ripe, deep in color, subtle, nuanced, elegant, exquisite, "velvet in a glass"

*Flavor:* currants, cherries, raspberries, liqueur of black cherries, "earth and cranberries"

Aroma: vegetal, 5-spice, perfume

*Price:* \$8 to \$50+ per bottle. NO SALES TAX!





## WILLAMETTE VALLEY AVAS

Federally-recognized wine growing regions are called American Viticultural Areas – or AVAs. The Willamette Valley AVAs and their establishment dates are shown below.

Chehalem Mountains 2006

Dundee Hills 2005

Eola-Amity Hills 2006

McMinnville 2005

Ribbon Ridge 2005

Willamette Valley 1983

Yamhill-Carlton 2005

Perrydale Hills (Proposed)

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